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In re the application of:

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For : MAINFRAME FOR CONSTRUCTION MACHINES AND  
: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SAME  
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER  
37 CFR §§ 1.97 AND 1.98**

Honorable Commissioner  
of Patents and Trademarks  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22314-1450

December 21, 2006

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 applicant hereby notifies the United States Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO-1449 form and which the Examiner may deem relevant to the patentability of the claims in the above-identified application. One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b) time period, but before final action or notice of allowance. Therefore, applicant is attaching hereto a check in the amount of \$180 as required under 37 CFR 1.17(p).

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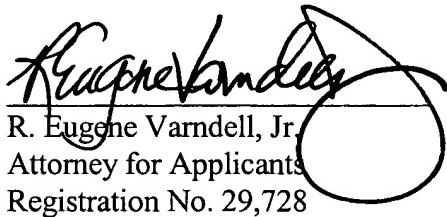
In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for the listed foreign language documents, an English abstract is attached to each foreign language document. Also enclosed herewith is a copy of a corresponding foreign Search Report citing each of the listed documents. In this connection, it is respectfully noted that document JP S61-58330 B2 set forth in the international search report corresponds to JP S55-152674 A, which is listed on the enclosed form PTO-1449A.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial or otherwise mark one copy of forms PTO-1449 and forward the same to the applicants indicating that the documents listed thereon have been considered.

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In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee therefor, as well as any deficiency in the payment of the required fee(s) or credit any overpayment, to our deposit account No. 50-1147.

Respectfully submitted,  
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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

## TRANSLATION

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\* Full English text is available in machine-translated form in JPO (Japanese Patent Office) English language web site at <http://www1.ipdl.jpo.go.jp/PA1/cgi-bin/PA1INDEX>.

## OTHER REFERENCES (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)


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